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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT, LAW DIVISION

KATHLEEN KOCH,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	No. 23 L 686
)	
VANTAGE SPECIALTY)	All Consolidated
CHEMICALS, INC.; et al.,)	Cases
)	
Defendants.)	

Report of proceedings had at the hearing in
the above-entitled cause before the HONORABLE JOHN H.
EHRLICH, Judge of said Court, at Richard J. Daley
Center, 50 West Washington Street, Courtroom 2306,
Chicago, Illinois, commencing at 8:32 a.m. on
August 28th, 2024.

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<p>1 at this because it is -- it appears to be a case that 2 was dismissed.</p> <p>3 THE COURT: Why don't we do this. Look it over. 4 If the statute is running between now and next week --</p> <p>5 MR. HENSLEY: Okay.</p> <p>6 THE COURT: -- get it decided. And you can e-mail 7 it in, and I will get it entered for you.</p> <p>8 MR. OLISS: Thank you.</p> <p>9 THE COURT: Otherwise, we will look at it next 10 week.</p> <p>11 MR. OLISS: Thank you, Your Honor.</p> <p>12 THE COURT: Anything else?</p> <p>13 MR. OLISS: I do have one other issue, Your Honor. 14 We had previously -- we discussed a little bit last 15 week -- filed a motion in order to get a date certain 16 for filing of contribution claims, counterclaims. There 17 was some discussion on it -- about it last week. We 18 have not heard any further objection or any request that 19 the proposed order be modified in any way. I don't know 20 if there is anything anybody wants to say on it, but we 21 still got that request in front of you. I think you 22 indicated last week you were inclined to enter it, and 23 then there was some discussion --</p> <p>24 THE COURT: Right.</p>	<p>1 entered either Monday or Tuesday. 2 MR. RYAN: Got it. Okay. We'll check again. 3 THE COURT: If not, have her send it over again, 4 because I don't have a problem with that. 5 MR. RYAN: Okay. Great. 6 THE COURT: I thought I gave that to 7 Lamont (phonetic) Monday or Tuesday. Let me just check 8 to see if it's in this stack. 9 No. I think it was entered; but again, if 10 not, have her send it over again. 11 MR. RYAN: We'll take a look. Thank you, 12 Your Honor. 13 MR. HENSLEY: Your Honor, I have just a little bit 14 more information on that Carney case. I believe the 15 SOL is running this weekend. And from my understanding, 16 this was one of the cases that if you dismissed it -- 17 you had granted leave to amend to add the diagnosis 18 date, and I believe that we since have done that. So 19 that's the issue, I guess. I will give counsel the 20 opportunity to review it, but we'll probably reach out 21 to you tomorrow with an update on that to get that order 22 entered if -- 23 THE COURT: That's fine. 24 Do you have a copy of this, Counsel?</p>
<p>1 MR. OLISS: -- and we were going to hear from folks 2 if they had a problem with it. We have not heard 3 anything further. 4 This is the proposed order. 5 (Document tendered.) 6 THE COURT: Thank you. 7 I know we discussed that last week, and I just 8 wanted to make sure that we are all okay with it. So I 9 have no problem with any contribution claims. So that 10 will be entered as well. 11 MR. OLISS: Thank you, Your Honor. 12 THE COURT: Anything else? 13 MR. RYAN: One other item, Your Honor. My 14 colleague -- This is Brendan Ryan on behalf of Vantage. 15 My colleague, Katie Welch, sent you the order 16 that was discussed last week with regard to this Michael 17 Moskowitz case that should be dismissed without 18 prejudice for want of prosecution. She sent you that 19 order, I believe late last week or -- late last week. 20 I don't think it's been entered yet. I don't have it 21 with me, but -- 22 THE COURT: I thought it was. 23 MR. RYAN: If it was entered, we'll check again. 24 THE COURT: Check again, because I believe it was</p>	<p>1 MR. OLISS: I think we got one by e-mail. 2 MR. HENSLEY: We e-mailed it, yeah. 3 THE COURT: Okay. Why don't -- I will hold onto 4 this one; and that way you can just say you've agreed to 5 it, assuming you agree to it, and then I can just enter 6 the order. 7 MR. HENSLEY: Great. 8 THE COURT: Okay. I'm assuming that's going to be 9 okay. 10 MR. OLISS: I don't know, Your Honor. I mean, it 11 was dismissed, and it was dismissed for a reason. And 12 that reason, I believe, was that it did not -- this 13 individual didn't allege exposure during the period of 14 ownership of -- certainly of Isomedix. I believe it was 15 Cosmed as well. So there is a material issue with this 16 plaintiff, and that's why we moved to dismiss the claim. 17 So if he has not cured that, then we would oppose it. 18 THE COURT: Well, again, chat about that in the 19 meantime and follow up with me tomorrow or Friday. 20 I will give you both days. 21 Anything else? 22 What about the next week? Are we meeting next 23 week, our usual Wednesday, or are things... 24 MR. OLISS: We do have expert depositions next</p>